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In re Application of: Gotoh, et al.
Application No. 10/066,901
Attorney Docket No. MTS-710US26
Filed: February 4, 2002
For: OPTICAL DISK, AN OPTICAL DISK
BARCODE FORMING METHOD, AN
OPTICAL DISK REPRODUCTION
APPARATUS, A MARKING FORMING

) **Technology Center 2100**
) **DECISION ON PETITION TO**
) **WITHDRAW HOLDING OF**
) **ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR**
) **§1.181**

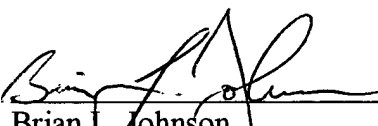
This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment, under 37 CFR §1.181, filed on January 20, 2004.

The instant application was held abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Non-Final Office action mailed June 20, 2003. A notice of abandonment was mailed on January 12, 2004. A grantable petition must include a copy of the response and proof of timely filing of the response. A stamped post card receipt with an indication of the documents filed therewith is acceptable. No fee is required.

Petitioner has provided evidence in the petition that includes: a copy of the response and amendment with a certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8(a) on September 22, 2003; transmittal letter; and a post card receipt identifying the contents of the response, which includes a USPTO receipt date of September 25, 2003.

Since all of the criteria set forth above have been met, the petition is **GRANTED**. The Notice of Abandonment is hereby **WITHDRAWN**. The delay in response to the petition is regretted.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publications for further processing. Note, a notice of allowability and notice of allowance and issue fee(s) due was mailed to applicant on August 10, 2004. The application is currently pending the matching of the issue fee, paid September 17, 2004.


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